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Applicants: *Nobuyuki Itoh and W. Michael Kavanaugh*
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For: *HUMAN FGF-23 GENE AND GENE EXPRESSION PRODUCTS*
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REQUEST FOR A FOUR-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a four-month extension of time to extend the time for response to the outstanding Office Action dated May 8, 2002, for the above-identified patent application, four months, up to and including October 8, 2002.

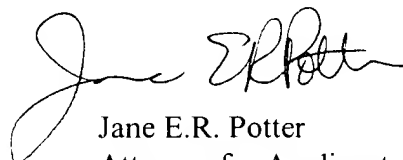
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